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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of Farooq Uraizee, et al. Art Unit 1645 Serial No. 10/799,291 Filed March 12, 2004 Confirmation No. 8211 For USE OF SURFACTANTS TO STABILIZE OOCYSTS

February 12, 2007

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS, SIR:

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

This letter is in response to the Office action dated January 10, 2007, in which the Office has required two election of species:

- 1. Species of protozoa selected from Eimeria acervulina, Eimeria maxima, Eimeria mitis, Eimeria tenella, Eimeria necatrix, Eimeria brunetti, Eimeria praecox, or a specifically defined combination.
- 2. Species of surfactant selected from Tween 20, Tween 80, Triton X-100, Triton X-200, Tergitol 15-S-9, Tergitol 15-S-12, anionic surfactant, or a specifically defined combination.

For the first election, species of protozoa, applicants elect the combination of *Eimeria acervulina*, *Eimeria maxima*, and *Eimeria tenella*. All claims (claims 1-27) read on the elected species.

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For the second election, species of surfactant, applicants elect Tween 20. All claims (claims 1-27) read on the elected species.

Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications directed to the subject matter of the non-elected species.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any government fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 19-1345.

Respectfully submitted,

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